

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correct minor errors. A marked up version of the amended paragraphs of the specification is attached hereto pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(iii). The Abstract of the Disclosure has also been amended. A new Abstract of the Disclosure is attached hereto. New claims 15-20 have been added. Thus, claims 1-20 are presently pending in this application for consideration.

The amendments to the present application are made to place the application in better form and to place the application in condition for allowance. No new matter has been added. Entry and consideration of these amendments prior to the first Office Action are respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at Los Angeles, California telephone number (213) 337-6742 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

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IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract as follows:

A facsimile device for transmitting an image data, using the computer communication network via the Internet without users doing the confusing operation. A transmitting-side facsimile device FAX1a determines that which network is used among between the Internet NTW and the public switched telephone network PSTN by confirming whether or not the information showing to use the Internet NTW is attached to the facsimile number of the destination facsimile device FAX2 (S103). In case of determining to use the Internet NTW (YES by S103), image data that is a transmission copy to the gateway device GTW1 and the facsimile number of the destination facsimile device FAX2 are transmitted (S104).

[Moreover, the facsimile device is provided, which users can easily select a requested communication network. A transmitting-side facsimile device FAX1a discriminates the beginning number attached in the beginning of the destination number input by users (S204) and confirms that which network is used in sending image data among the internal network K, the public switched telephone network PSTN and the Internet NTW. In case that the use of the Internet NTW (S204 : “”) is determined, the IP address of the nearest gateway device GTN in the destination facsimile device FAX2 is acquired (S206) and an image data that is a transmission copy and the destination number is transmitted by designating the IP address as a destination (S207).

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph 0017 on page 8 as follows:

The present invention is provided in view of the above-described situation, and it is an [object] advantage of the present invention to provide a

facsimile device which can send image data using the requested network without users doing confusing operation by deciding that image data is transmitted directly to the communication device using the public switched telephone network or that image data is transmitted using the computer network via the gateway device according to the content of the network information in case of inputting the discrimination information of the communication device like the receiving-side facsimile device, which includes the network information that which network is used, public switched telephone network or computer communication network (the Internet).

Please amend paragraph 0018 on pages 8-9 as follows:

Moreover, it is another [object] advantage of the present invention to provide a facsimile device which can send image data using the proper network automatically without users doing special operation, by deciding that image data is transmitted directly to the communication device using the public switched telephone network or that image data is transmitted using the computer communication network via the gateway device according to the content of the network information corresponding to the discrimination information, in case of accepting the discrimination information by memorizing the discrimination information of the receiving-side communication device and the network information showing the available network by making one of these information correspond to the other information.

Please amend paragraph 0019 on page 9 as follows:

Furthermore, it is another [object] advantage of the present invention to provide a facsimile device which can certainly carry out the transmission process of image data by sending the same image data directly to the communication device using the public switched telephone network in case of

failing in the transmission process of image data using the computer communication network.

Please amend paragraph 0020 on page 9 as follows:

Furthermore, it is another [object] advantage of the present invention to provide a facsimile device which can transmit image data easily using the requested network, without users compulsively performing the confusing operation, by transmitting image data using the network shown in the network information in case of inputting the discrimination information such as the destination facsimile number that attached the network information showing which network is used between the public switched telephone network or the computer communication network, by having a means for connecting the facsimile device to the computer communication network.

Please amend paragraph 0021 on pages 9-10 as follows:

Furthermore, it is another [object] advantage of the present invention to provide a facsimile device which can send image data using the proper network automatically, without users performing the special operation, by sending image data using the network shown in the network information made to correspond to the discrimination information in case of selecting the discrimination information by users, by memorizing by making the receiving discrimination information correspond to the network information showing which network is used, by having a means for connecting the facsimile device to the computer communication network.